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RESPONSE

Hon. Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the notice of April 15, 2003 indicating that the April 2, 2003 amendment was non-responsive, Applicants vigorously traverse this.

The Patent Office's attention is directed to the March 4, 2003 response which indicated that the amendment of February 12, 2003 has been overlooked and entry of the amendment would obviate the Examiner's rejections based on 35 USC 112, second paragraph, as well as 35 USC 112, first paragraph, since the expression "by anti-platelet aggregating activity" did not occur in the claim as amended. The amendment of April 2, 2003 was filed as a result after an interview with the Examiner in charge of the application and it was deemed to be fully responsive to the outstanding office action.

Examiner's reply indicating office
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Therefore, it is deemed that the responses taken together and properly entered are fully responsive to the office action and it is requested that the responses be acted upon.

Respectfully submitted,
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